

EOS Production Sites

Network Performance Report: September 2012

This is a monthly summary of EOS network performance testing between production sites -- comparing the measured performance against the requirements. **Significant improvements are noted in Green, Network problems in Red, System problems and Requirements issues in Gold, Issues in Orange, and other comments in Blue.**

Highlights:

- **Mostly stable flows**
 - **GPA ↑ 3.66** (was 3.47 last month).
- **Requirements:** use the Network Requirements Database
 - Previously used Handbook 1.4.3 (May '09 – May '12)
- **All EBnet Outflows: EBnet Firewall replaced in September – with major improvements!** (additional improvements shortly thereafter with retuning) (High packet loss and reduced thrupt had started in February '11.)
- **LaRC ASDC Outflow:** No change: **very high congestion continued to reduce performance on most outflows.** (Not observed from LaRC ANGe or LaRC-PTH)
- **2 flows below “Good”:**
 - GSFC MODAPS-PDR → EROS (“**Almost Adequate**”)
 - LaRC ASDC → JPL (“**Adequate**”)

Ratings Changes:

Upgrades: ↑

- GSFC MODAPS-PDR → EROS : **Bad** → **Almost Adequate**
- GSFC NPP → Wisconsin: **Adequate** → **Good**
- GSFC → JPL: **Good** → **Excellent**

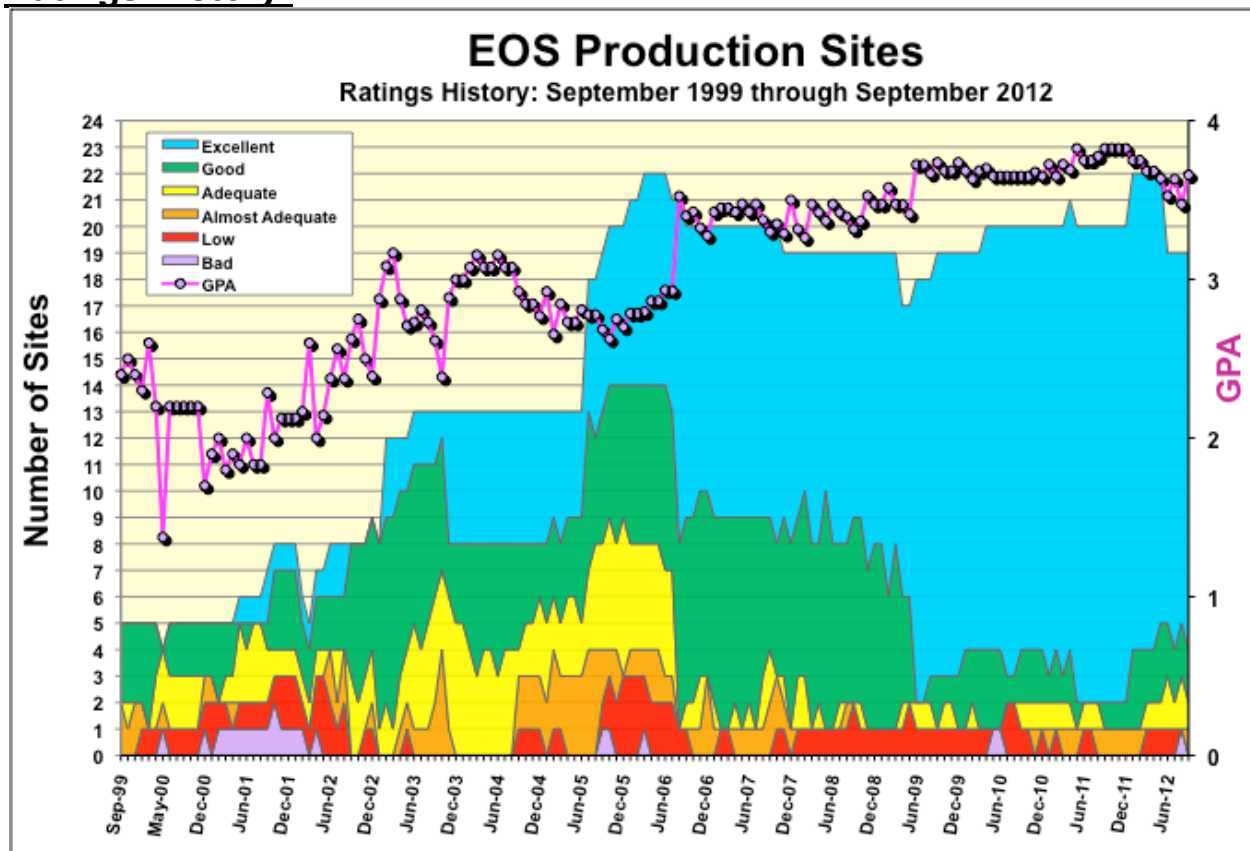
Downgrades: ↓ None

Ratings Categories:

Rating	Value	Criteria
Excellent:	4	Total Kbps > Requirement * 3
Good:	3	1.3 * Requirement <= Total Kbps < Requirement * 3
Adequate:	2	Requirement < Total Kbps < Requirement * 1.3
Almost Adequate:	1.5	Requirement / 1.5 < Total Kbps < Requirement
Low:	1	Requirement / 3 < Total Kbps < Requirement / 1.5
Bad:	0	Total Kbps < Requirement / 3

Where Total Kbps = Average Integrated Kbps (where available), otherwise just iperf

Note that “**Almost Adequate**” implies meeting the requirement except for the 50% contingency factor.

Ratings History:

The chart above shows the number of sites in each rating category since EOS Production Site testing started in September 1999. Note that these ratings do NOT relate to absolute performance – they are relative to the EOS requirements.

Additions and deletions:

- 2011 April: Added RSS to GHRC
- 2011 May: Deleted WSC to ASF for ALOS
- 2012 January: Added NOAA → GSFC-SD3E
Added GSFC-SD3E → Wisconsin
- 2012 June: Deleted GSFC → LASP
Deleted GSFC ← → JAXA

Requirements Basis:

In June 2012, the requirements have been switched, as planned for quite a while, to use the EOSDIS network requirements database. EOSDIS has been reviewing its network ICD's with each of the instrument teams. These ICDs are now essentially completed, and the database has been updated with the ICD values, so those values are now used here.

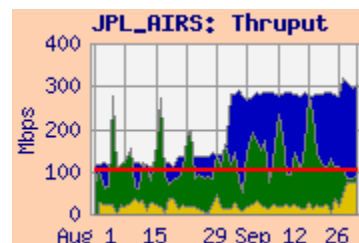
Previously, the requirements were based on the EOS Networks Requirements Handbook, Version 1.4.3 (from which the original database requirements were derived). Prior to that, the requirements were derived from version 1.4.2.

One main difference between Handbooks 1.4.2 and 1.4.3 is that in 1.4.3 most flows which occur less than once per day were averaged over their production period. These flows were typically monthly Level 3 data transfers, which were specified to be sent in just a few hours. However, they could easily be accommodated either between the per-orbit flows, or within the built-in contingency. Previously, these flows were added in linearly to the requirements, making the requirements unrealistically high.

Additionally, the contingency for reprocessing flows greater than 2X reprocessing was reduced. These flows WERE a major component of the contingency, so adding additional contingency on top of these flows was considered excessive.

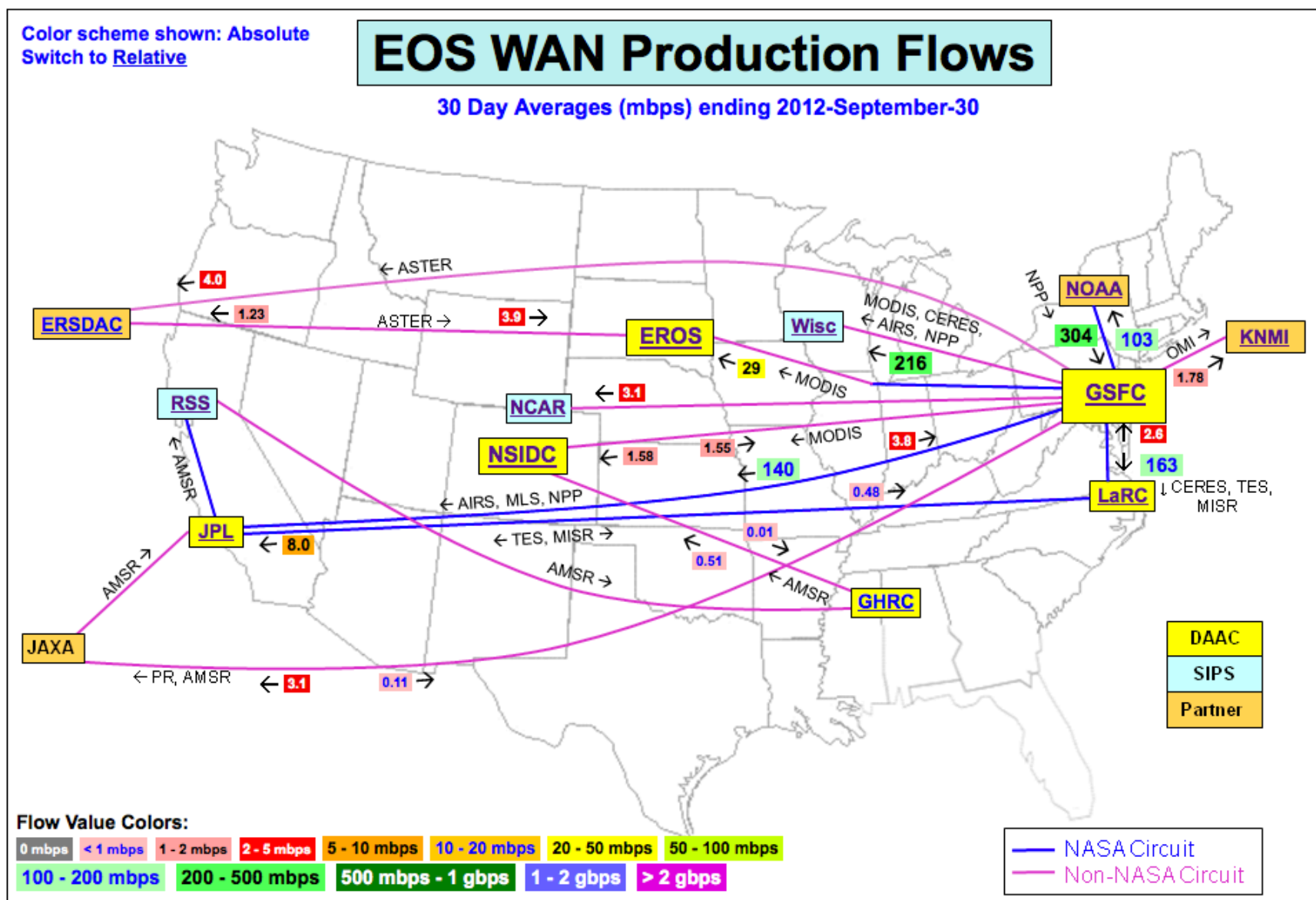
Integrated Charts:

Integrated charts are included with site details, where available. These charts are "Area" charts, with a "salmon" background. A sample Integrated chart is shown here. The yellow area at the bottom represents the daily average of the user flow from the source facility (e.g., GSFC, in this example) to the destination facility (JPL, in this example) obtained from routers via "netflow". The green area is stacked on top of the user flow, and represents the "adjusted" daily average iperf throughput between the source-destination pair most closely corresponding to the requirement. This iperf measurement essentially shows the circuit capacity remaining with the user flows active. Adjustments are made to compensate for various systematic effects, and are best considered as an approximation. The red line is the requirement for the flow from the source to destination facilities. On some charts a blue area is also present – usually "behind" the green area – representing adjusted iperf measurements from a second source node at the same facility.



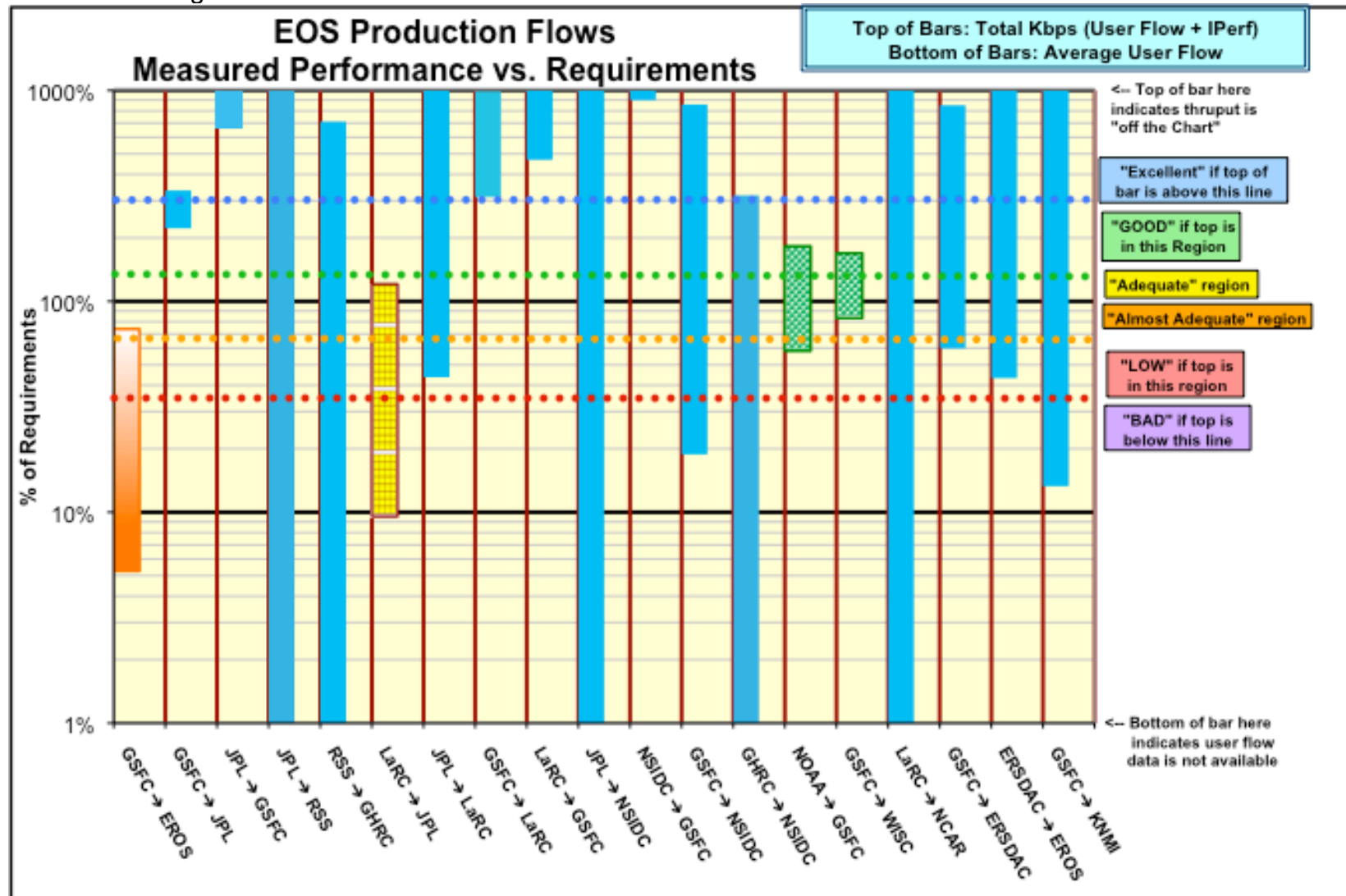
Network Requirements vs. Measured Performance

September 2012		Requirements (mbps)		Testing				Ratings	
Source → Destination	Instrument (s)	Current	Old	Source → Dest Nodes	Average User Flow mbps	iperf Median mbps	Integrated mbps	Ratings re Database Requirements	
		Database	HB 1.4.3+					This Month	Last Month
GSFC → EROS	MODIS, LandSat	548.4	342.9	MODAPS-PDR → EROS LPDAAC	28.9	401.4	405.3	AA	Bad
GSFC → JPL	AIRS, MLS, NPP, ISTs	63	116.7	GSFC GES DISC → JPL-AIRS	139.8	158.1	211.2	Excellent	Good
JPL → GSFC	MLS	0.57	0.6	JPL-PODAAC → GSFC GES DISC	3.8	54.0	54.0	Excellent	Ex
JPL → RSS	AMSR-E	0.16	0.5	JPL-PODAAC → RSS (Comcast)		4.9		Excellent	Ex
RSS → GHRC	AMSR-E	0.32	0.3	RSS (Comcast) → GHRC		2.3		Excellent	Ex
LaRC → JPL	TES, MISR	83.5	69.3	LARC-ASDC → JPL-TES	8.0	100.8		Adequate	Adq
JPL → LaRC	TES	1.1	1.5	JPL-TES → LARC-PTH	0.5	133.0		Excellent	Ex
GSFC → LaRC	CERES, MISR, MOPITT, TES, MODIS	52.2	31.3	GES DISC → LaRC ASDC	162.7	490.7	515.9	Excellent	Ex
LaRC → GSFC	MISR	0.6	0.4	LARC-ASDC → GES DISC	2.61	419.9	420.0	Excellent	Ex
JPL → NSIDC	AMSR-E	0.16	0.2	JPL-PODAAC → NSIDC		44.0		Excellent	Ex
NSIDC → GSFC	AMSR-E, MODIS, ICESAT	0.017	0.6	NSIDC DAAC → GES DISC	1.5	202.5	202.5	Excellent	Ex
GSFC → NSIDC	AMSR-E, MODIS, ICESAT	8.42	27.6	MODAPS PDR → NSIDC-DAAC	1.58	72.2	72.2	Excellent	Ex
GHRC → NSIDC	AMSR-E	0.46	0.5	GHRC → NSIDC DAAC (ftp)		1.46		Excellent	Ex
NOAA → GSFC	NPP	522.3	615.6	NOAA-PTH → GSFC NPP-SD3E OPS1	303.9	926.2	952.5	Good	Good
GSFC → WISC	NPP	259.1	253.7	GSFC NPP-SD3E OPS1 → WISC	215.8	372.1	437.9	Good	Adq
LaRC → NCAR	MOPITT	0.044	0.1	LaRC-PTH → NCAR		158.3		Excellent	Ex
GSFC → JAXA	TRMM, AMSR-E, MODIS	3.51	0.1	GSFC → JAXA	3.05	Testing discontinued: 31 March 2009		n/a	n/a
JAXA → GSFC	AMSR-E	0.16	0.1	JAXA → GSFC	0.11			n/a	n/a
GSFC → ERSDAC	ASTER	6.75	5.4	GSFC-EDOS → ERSDAC	4.0	57.4	57.4	Excellent	Ex
ERSDAC → EROS	ASTER	8.3	8.3	ERSDAC → EROS PTH	3.6	87.9	88.5	Excellent	Ex
GSFC → KNMI	OMI	13.4	0.03	GSFC-OMISIPS → KNMI ODPS	1.8	213.3	213.3	Excellent	Ex
		Significant change from HB v1.4.3 to Requirements Database							
		Value used for ratings							
*Criteria:	Excellent	Total Kbps > Requirement * 3				Ratings Summary		Database Req	
	Good	1.3 * Requirement <= Total Kbps < Requirement * 3						Score	Prev
	Adequate	Requirement < Total Kbps < Requirement * 1.3				Excellent		15	14
	Almost Adequate	Requirement / 1.5 < Total Kbps < Requirement				Good		2	2
	Low	Requirement / 3 < Total Kbps < Requirement / 1.5				Adequate		1	2
	Bad	Total Kbps < Requirement / 3				Almost Adequate		1	0
						Low		0	0
						Bad		0	1
						Total Sites		19	19
Notes:		Flow Requirements include: TRMM, Terra, Aqua, Aura, ICESAT, QuikScat, GEOS, NPP				GPA		3.66	3.47



This chart shows the averages for the main EOS production flows for the current month. Up to date flow information can be found at http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Weather/web/hourly/Production_Flows-A.shtml

This graph shows a bar for each source-destination pair – relating the measurements to the requirements for that pair. The bottom of each bar represents the average measured user flow from the source site to the destination site (as a percent of the requirement) – it indicates the relationship between the requirements and actual flows. Note that the requirements generally include a 50% contingency factor above what was specified by the projects, so a value of 67% (dotted orange line) would indicate that the project is flowing as much data as requested. The top of each bar similarly represents the integrated measurement, combining the user flow with Iperf measurements – this value is used to determine the ratings.



1) EROS:

Ratings: GSFC → EROS: ↑ **Bad** → **Almost Adequate**
 ERSDAC → EROS: Continued **Excellent**

Web Page: <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/EROS.shtml>
http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/EROS_PTH.shtml

Test Results:

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
MODAPS-PDR → EROS LPDAAC	571.8	401.4	128.7	28.9	405.3
GSFC-EDOS → EROS LPDAAC	287.8	103.5	27.9		
GES DISC → EROS LPDAAC	303.8	256.9	155.7		
GSFC-ENPL → EROS LPDAAC	684.6	653.6	386.2		
ERSDAC → EROS LPDAAC	196.6	87.9	55.9	3.5	88.5
NSIDC SIDADS → EROS PTH	443.7	280.3	64.3		
GSFC-ENPL → EROS PTH	816.0	728.5	554.4		
GSFC-NISN → EROS PTH	500.4	307.4	148.0		
LaRC PTH → EROS PTH	189.4	171.6	107.5		

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	mbps	prev	Rating
GSFC → EROS	CY '12 -	548.4	343	Almost Adequate
ERSDAC → EROS	FY '06 -	8.33	8.3	Excellent

Comments:

1.1 GSFC → EROS: The rating is based on the MODAPS-PDR Server to EROS LP DAAC measurement, since that is the primary flow. The requirement was switched in June, from using the Handbook v1.4.3 to now use the requirements database. This resulted in a 60% increase in the requirement, based primarily on increased MODIS reprocessing. As MODIS is not conducting reprocessing at present, the user flow this month is only about 7.3% of the new requirement.

The route from MODAPS-PDR is via EBnet to the Doors to NISN SIP, via the NISN 10 gbps backbone to the NISN Chicago CIEF, then via GigE to the StarLight Gigapop, peering there with the EROS OC-48 tail circuit.

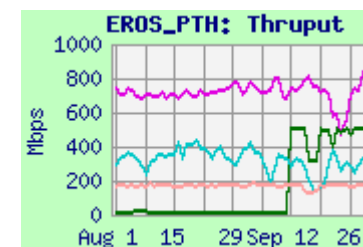
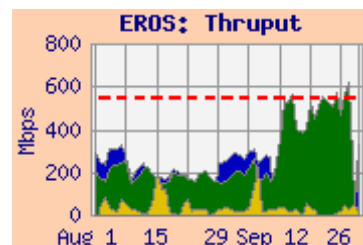
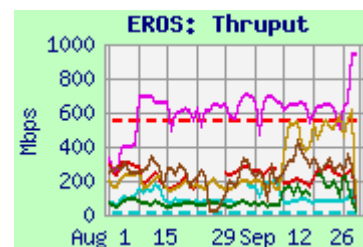
Packet loss on all flows leaving EBnet was FIXED ON 11 SEPTEMBER! All EBnet to EROS measurements improved dramatically! The median integrated throughput from MODAPS-PDR to LPDAAC remains below the requirement, but is now above the requirement without contingency! **So the rating improves to Almost Adequate.** Thruput also improved from other EBnet nodes: GES DISC and GSFC-EDOS.

Iperf testing for comparison is performed from GSFC-ENPL to both LPDAAC (retuned in August) and to EROS-PTH. The GSFC-ENPL host has a direct 10 gig connection to the MAX; its route is via MAX to Internet2 to StarLight in Chicago. GSFC-ENPL to EROS-PTH typically gets over 700 mbps, and shows the capacity of the network is in excess of the requirement – it would be rated **Good**. GSFC-ENPL to EROS LPDAAC was switched in late September from the internal “EIL” node to the “FTL” node (outside the EROS firewall), and would be rated “**Adequate**” (**Good** after the switch). The difference in performance from GSFC-ENPL to FTL vs EIL is attributable to the extra firewalls at EROS.

1.2 ERSD → EROS: Excellent. See section 9 (ERSD) for further discussion.

1.3 NSIDC → EROS-PTH: Performance dropped substantially in early June, but improved again in mid July, and was noisy but stable in September (Other tests to and from NSIDC had dropped at the same time, so the problem is believed not to be related to EROS).

1.4 LaRC → EROS: The throughput from LaRC-PTH to EROS-PTH was very stable. The route is via NISN SIP to the Chicago CIEF to StarLight – similar to EBnet sources.



2) to GSFCRatings: NOAA → NPP SD3E: **Good**NSIDC → GES DISC: Continued **Excellent**LDAAC → GES DISC: Continued **Excellent**JPL → GSFC: Continued **Excellent**

Web Pages:

http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/NPP/GSFC_SD3E.shtml<http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/GDAAC.shtml>http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/ESDIS_PTH.shtmlhttp://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/icesat/GSFC_ISIPS.shtml**Test Results:**

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
NOAA-PTH → NPP-SD3E-OPS1	939.3	926.2	866.1	303.9	952.5
EROS LPDAAC → GES DISC	204.2	161.1	103.6		
EROS PTH → GSFC-ESDIS PTH	431.5	290.8	161.8		
JPL-PTH → GSFC-ESDIS PTH	87.6	85.6	81.1	3.8	
JPL-TES → GSFC-NISN	431.9	149.6	37.7		
LaRC ASDC → GES DISC	489.3	419.9	233.4	2.6	
LARC-ANGe → GSFC-ESDIS PTH	544.5	531.8	478.1		
NSIDC DAAC → GES DISC	223.6	202.5	138.1	1.5	
NSIDC DAAC → GSFC-ISIPS (scp)	61.7	46.7	16.6		

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
NSIDC → GSFC	CY '12 –	0.017	0.6	Excellent
LaRC ASDC → GES DISC	CY '12 –	0.6	0.4	Excellent
JPL → GSFC combined	CY '12 –	0.57	3.2	Excellent
NOAA → NPP SD3E	CY '12 –	522.3	615.6	Good

Comments: Note: all requirements were updated in June...see above.

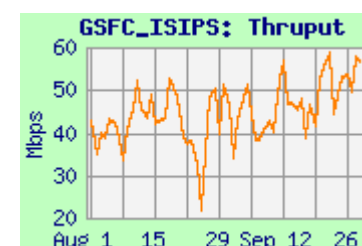
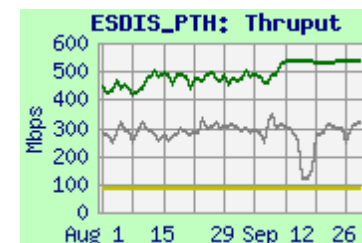
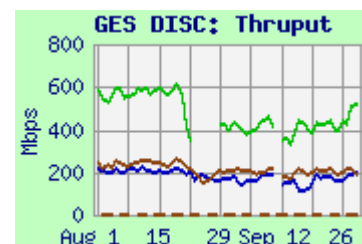
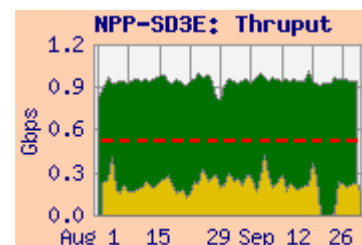
NOAA → NPP-SD3E: Performance from NOAA-PTH to GSFC NPP-SD3E-OPS1 was very steady at over 900 mbps, limited by the gig-E interfaces on the test machines (the circuits are all 10 gbps). User flow was similar to last month, and close to the requirements (without contingency).

EROS, EROS-PTH → GSFC: The thrupt for tests from EROS and EROS-PTH to GES DISC and ESDIS-PTH were mostly stable.

JPL → GSFC: Thrupt from JPL-PTH was again very stable this month, limited by the Fast-E interface on JPL-PTH. With the modest requirement the rating remains “**Excellent**”. The actual user flow is closer to the old requirement, but well above the new reduced requirement. Testing from JPL-TES to GSFC-NISN (not graphed) more clearly shows the capability of the network.

LaRC → GSFC: Performance from LaRC ASDC to GES DISC was again variable, apparently due to congestion at ASDC. Thrupt from LaRC ANGe to ESDIS-PTH was much more stable. Both results remained way above 3 x the modest requirement, so the rating continues as “**Excellent**”. The user flow this month was close to the requirement.

NSIDC → GSFC: Performance from NSIDC to GES DISC was steady, and way above the requirement; the rating remains **Excellent**. The user flow was again above the old requirement, and well above the new lower requirement. Testing to GSFC-ISIPS was restored in May by using SCP (iperf testing still down after reconfiguration due to firewall blocking). SCP thrupt is lower than iperf previously, as expected, but is well above the requirement.



2.2 GSFC-ECHO: EOS Metadata Clearinghouse

Web Page: http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/gsfcs/GSFC_ECHO.shtml

Test Results:

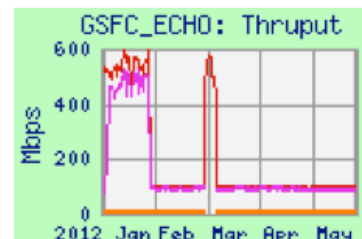
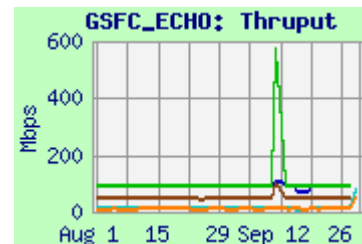
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	Best	Median	Worst
EROS LPDAAC	93.2	92.8	79.7
EROS LPDAAC ftp	12.2	12.1	8.2
GES DISC	n/a	n/a	n/a
GES DISC ftp	n/a	n/a	n/a
LaRC ASDC DAAC	93.6	93.6	86.6
LaRC ASDC DAAC ftp	n/a	n/a	n/a
NSIDC DAAC	46.6	46.5	46.2
NSIDC DAAC ftp	10.9	10.7	4.5

Comments:

The echo node was moved at the end of September '11. Most ftp tests continued working (except from LaRC ASDC), but iperf tests needed new firewall rules before resumption of testing – this was fixed in June (Iperf testing resumed from GES DISC in November '11).

In late January, however, throughput from GES DISC to ECHO dropped to just under 100 mbps, suggesting that a fast-E interface was in use. Performance returned to the higher state for the first week in March: iperf from GES DISC was back over 500 mbps. Then, by March 7, the 100 mbps limitation was back (except for a single day -- 11 September -- when the EBnet firewalls were upgraded). Testing from GES DISC stopped working on 22 August.

Performance was stable from EROS and NSIDC. FTP performance is mostly limited by TCP window size – especially from sites with long RTT.



2.3 GSFC-EMS: EOS Metrics System

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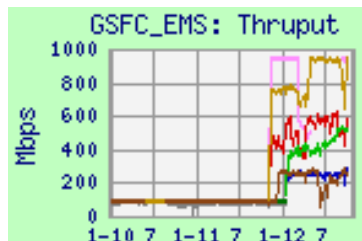
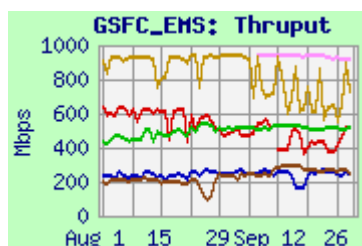
Test Results:

Source	Medians of daily tests (mbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
EROS LPDAAC	278.9	252.9	172.5
ESDIS-PTH	937.4	936.4	906.6
GES DISC	544.4	466.9	285.0
LARC ASDC	536.4	515.7	374.8
MODAPS-PDR	937.2	723.9	347.1
NSIDC-SIDADS	276.9	265.8	205.4

Comments:

Testing is performed to GSFC-EMS from the above nodes, iperf only. The testing was transitioned to the new EMS test node (FS1) between November '11, and January '12 with much improved throughput. The performance limitation to the old server was its 100 mbps Fast-E connection; the new server is gigabit connected. Testing was restored from ESDIS-PTH this month.

Throughput from all sources was pretty stable this month.



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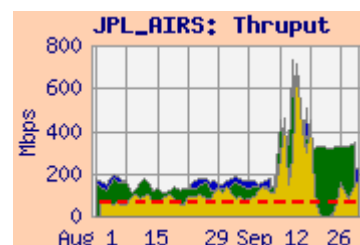
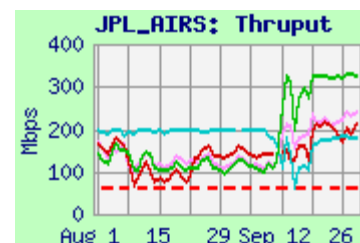
3.1) GSFC → JPL:

Ratings: GSFC → JPL: ↑ **Good** → **Excellent**

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Test Results:

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
GSFC-GES DISC → JPL-AIRS	199.4	158.1	97.9	139.8	211.2
NPP-SD3E-OPS2 → JPL-AIRS	327.6	284.4	180.9		
GSFC-NISN → JPL-AIRS	194.9	178.4	148.9		
ESDIS-PTH → JPL-AIRS	241.0	187.9	138.6		
NPP IDPS-Mini → JPL-Sounder	127.7	69.4	38.4		
GSFC-NISN → JPL-MLS	218.7	162.6	96.6		
ESDIS-PTH → JPL-MLS	253.1	209.0	135.8		
ESDIS-PTH → JPL-PODAAC	114.2	95.6	70.6		
GSFC-NISN → JPL-PODAAC	104.8	77.6	34.2		
MODAPS-PDR → JPL-PODAAC	73.0	50.9	28.8		
GSFC-NISN → JPL-QSCAT	74.3	71.0	60.9		
ESDIS-PS → JPL-QSCAT	82.2	69.8	38.1		



Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
GSFC → JPL Combined	CY '12-	63	116.7	Excellent
GSFC → JPL AIRS	CY '12-	40	98	Excellent
GSFC NPP → JPL Sounder	CY '12-	15	15	Excellent
GSFC → JPL MLS	CY '12-	1.0	2.1	Excellent

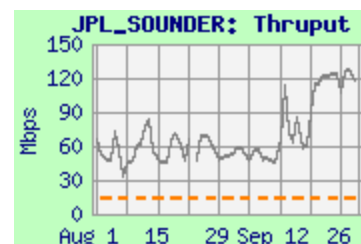
Comments: Thruput from EBnet sources (GES DISC, NPP-SD3E, ESDIS-PS, and ESDIS-PTH) increased greatly on 11 September with the EBnet firewall upgrade (due to EBnet reduced outgoing packet loss), compared with GSFC-NISN, which was stable.

AIRS , Overall: The requirements were switched in June to use the requirements database, instead of the Handbook v1.4.3 previously. This resulted in a 46% decrease in the overall requirement.

The AIRS Integrated thuput from GES DISC was lower, but remains above 3 x the reduced AIRS requirement, so the AIRS rating remains **Excellent**.

The **JPL overall rating** is based on the GES DISC to JPL AIRS thuput, compared with the sum of all the GSFC to JPL requirements. The median thuput improved and is above 3 x this requirement, so the overall rating improves to **Excellent**. Note that the actual user flow this month was very high, well above both the old requirement, and the new one.

NPP to JPL Sounder: Testing from NPP IDPS-Mini was initiated to the JPL Sounder PEATE server in late June. Thuput improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss. The rating remains **Excellent**.

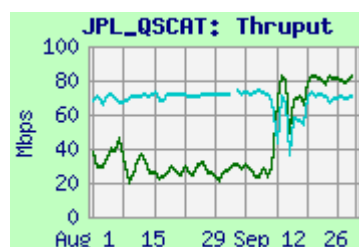
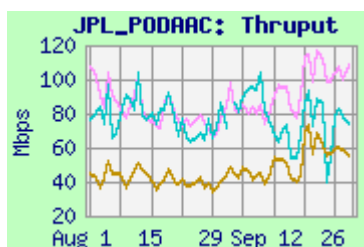
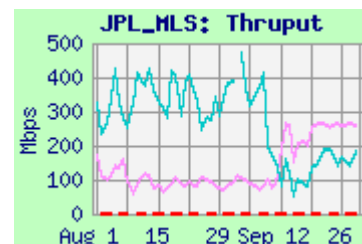


3.1) GSFC → JPL: continued

MLS: Thruput from ESDIS-PTH improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss. Thruput from GSFC-NISN dropped at the same time. Both were way above the modest requirement, so the rating remains "Excellent".

PODAAC: There is no longer a requirement from GSFC to JPL PODAAC in the database. But performance to PODAAC improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss – thuput was way above the previous 1.5 mbps PODAAC requirement.

QSCAT: There is no longer a requirement from GSFC to JPL QSCAT in the database. Thuput from ESDIS-PS to QSCAT also improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss (unlike from GSFC-NISN, which was stable). It remains well above the modest previous 0.6 mbps requirement.

**3.2) JPL → LaRC****Rating: Continued Excellent**

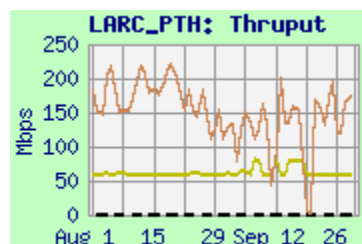
Web Page: http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/LARC_PTH.shtml

Test Results:

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow
	Best	Median	Worst	
JPL-PTH → LaRC PTH	84.7	59.6	57.4	0.48
JPL-TES → LaRC PTH	264.9	133.0	49.0	

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
JPL → LaRC	CY '12 –	1.1	1.5	Excellent



Comment: This requirement is primarily for TES products produced at the TES SIPS at JPL, being returned to LaRC for archiving. This month the thuput from JPL-TES remained much higher than the requirement; the rating remains "Excellent". The user flow this month was below the usual and the requirement.

Thruput from JPL-PTH to LaRC-PTH was again mostly at the lower of its two common states – 63 and 85 mbps, limited by a Fast-E interface on JPL-PTH.

3.3) LaRC → JPLRating: Continued **Adequate**

Web Pages:

http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/JPL_TES.shtmlhttp://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/terra/JPL_MISR.shtmlhttp://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/JPL_PTH.shtml**Test Results:**

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
LaRC DAAC → JPL-MISR	68.4	66.2	43.8	0.66	66.2
LaRC PTH → JPL-MISR	73.6	68.5	54.6		
LaRC DAAC → JPL-TES	103.7	100.8	72.3	0.017	
LaRC PTH → JPL-TES	167.3	154.0	134.1		
LaRC PTH → JPL-TES sftp	26.5	25.8	17.1		
LaRC ANGE → JPL-PTH	77.8	75.1	65.2	8.0	

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
	CY '12 –	83.5	69.3	Adequate
LaRC DAAC → JPL-MISR	CY '12 –	78.1	62.3	Almost Adq.
LaRC DAAC → JPL-TES	CY '12 –	5.5	7.0	Excellent

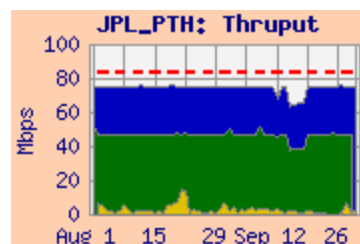
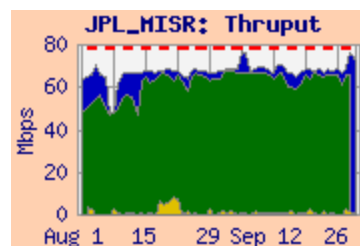
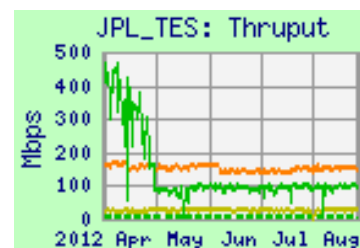
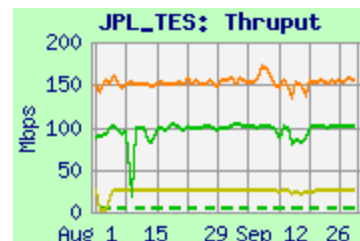
Note: Performance from LaRC ASDC to JPL (and to most other destinations) was very variable (typically on a 3 hour cycle), beginning at the end of April, apparently due to congestion at ASDC. After mid July, the 3 hour cycle disappeared, but the thrupt from LaRC ASDC stayed low. Performance from LaRC ANGE and LaRC PTH to JPL was stable and did not exhibit this characteristic.

LaRC → JPL (MISR): There was a reduction in user flow to MISR after mid July (allowing the iperf results to improve). The thrupt is limited by the Fast-E connection to the MISR node, and the ASDC congestion. The median integrated thrupt is now only 85% of the requirement, so the rating remains **Almost Adequate**.

LaRC → JPL (Overall, TES): Median performance from LaRC ASDC DAAC to JPL-TES dropped way down, at the end of April, due to the congestion above. It remains over 3 x the TES requirement, so the TES rating remains **Excellent**. But is now only 21% above the increased combined requirements, so the Overall rating remains **Adequate**. User flow to TES is very low.

The JPL-PTH integrated graph shows the overall LaRC to JPL user flow (vs. the overall requirement). The true capacity of the network is better seen with the LaRC PTH → JPL-TES thrupt, which is not subject to the ASDC congestion (but is limited to 200 mbps by NISN). The Overall rating based on this test would be **Good**.

Note: Even though the LaRC → MISR rating is **Almost Adequate**, the overall LaRC → JPL rating remains **Adequate**, since the MISR performance is limited by MISR's Fast-E interface. Its performance is therefore not representative of the overall LaRC → JPL capability.



4) GSFC → LaRC:**Rating:** Continued **Excellent**

Web Pages : <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/LARC.shtml>
http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/LARC_ANGe.shtml
http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/LARC_PTH.shtml

Test Results:

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
GES DISC → LaRC ASDC	549.9	490.7	345.2	162.7	515.9
GSFC-EDOS → LaRC ASDC	704.6	252.0	77.5		
ESDIS-PTH → LaRC-ANGe	479.7	460.0	393.5		
GSFC-NISN → LaTIS	502.8	413.4	200.2		

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
GSFC → LARC (Combined)	CY '12 –	52.2	31.3	Excellent

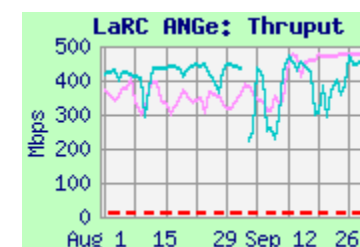
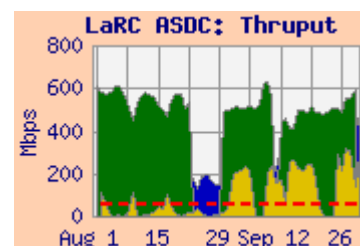
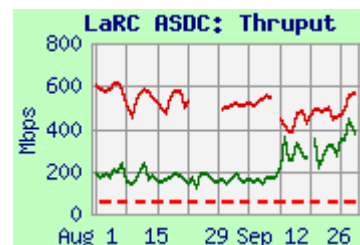
Comments: Thruput from all EBnet sources (GES DISC, EDOS, and ESDIS-PTH) improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss, compared with GSFC-NISN, which was stable. Note that packet loss does not have much effect on thruput for these flows – TCP recovers quickly due to the short RTT.

GSFC → LaRC ASDC: Thruput from GES DISC to LaRC ASDC DAAC remained well above 3 x the increased combined requirement, so the rating remains “Excellent”. Thruput to ASDC from GSFC-EDOS was mostly lower than from GES DISC.

As seen on the integrated graph, the user flow was much higher than normal this month, substantially exceeding the requirement.

ANGe (LaTIS): Testing to ANGe (“Bob”) from ESDIS-PTH and LaTIS (“Darrin”) from GSFC-NISN was consistent.

The node “Darrin” is being retired – it is therefore planned to move all tests currently to or from Darrin to use “Bob” instead.



5) Boulder CO sites:

5.1) NSIDC:

Ratings: GSFC → NSIDC: Continued **Excellent**
 JPL → NSIDC: Continued **Excellent**
 GHRC → NSIDC: Continued **Excellent**

Web Pages: <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/NSIDC.shtml>
http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/NSIDC_SIDADS.shtml
http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/NSIDC_PTH.shtml

Thruput from some (but not all) sources to NSIDC destinations dropped dramatically at the end of May. But no corresponding change in route or packet loss was observed! (It is suspected that the problem might relate to the return route.)

Test Results: NSIDC S4PA

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
MODAPS-PDR → NSIDC DAAC	77.9	72.2	23.3	1.6	72.2
GES-DISC → NSIDC DAAC	190.0	159.3	107.8		
GSFC-EDOS → NSIDC DAAC	19.5	15.0	10.3		
ESDIS-PTH → NSIDC DAAC	234.4	207.4	124.5		
GSFC-ISIPS → NSIDC (iperf)	95.7	85.0	41.6		
JPL PODAAC → NSIDC DAAC	48.1	44.0	28.5		
GHRC → NSIDC DAAC (nuttcp)	6.3	3.9	3.2		
GHRC → NSIDC DAAC (ftp pull)	1.8	1.5	1.3		

Requirements:

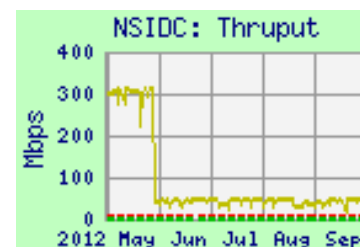
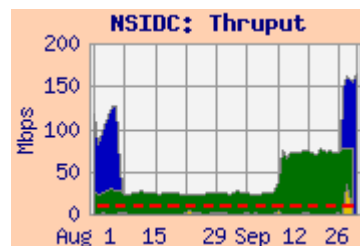
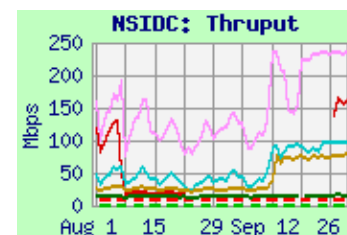
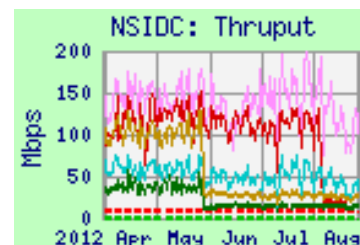
Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
GSFC → NSIDC	CY '12 –	8.42	27.6	Excellent
JPL → NSIDC	CY '12 –	0.16	0.2	Excellent
GHRC → NSIDC	CY '12 –	0.46	0.5	Excellent

Comments: GSFC → NSIDC S4PA: Thruput from all EBnet sources (MODAPS-PDR, GES DISC, GSFC-EDOS, ESDIS-PTH, and GSFCISIPS) improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss. Thruput had dropped from GSFC-EDOS and MODAPS-PDR at the end of May, but remained stable at that time from GES DISC, ESDIS-PTH and GSFC-ISIPS. Thruput from GES DISC dropped in August, corresponding with an address change for GES DISC. This supports the hypothesis that the problem relates to the return route.

The rating is based on testing from the MODAPS-PDR server to the NSIDC DAAC. The requirement was reduced in May '09 from 34.5 mbps (and was 64 mbps in April '08).

The integrated thruput from MODAPS-PDR remains more than 3 x the requirement, so the rating remains “**Excellent**”. The 1.6 mbps average user flow was typical, and was only 19% of the reduced requirement (which includes reprocessing).

JPL PODAAC → NSIDC S4PA: The requirement was reduced from 1.34 mbps in May '09. Thruput from PODAAC to NSIDC dropped in May from over 300 mbps previously; it had been mostly stable since testing was moved to use Internet2 in September '09; the rating remains “**Excellent**”.



5) Boulder CO sites (Continued):**5.1) NSIDC:** (Continued):

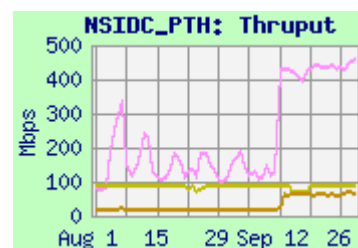
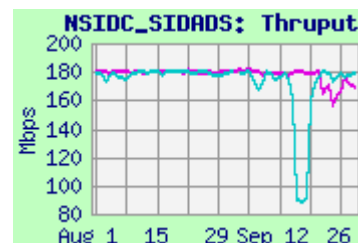
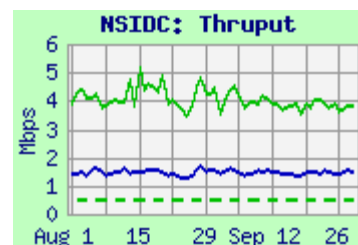
GHRC, GHRC-ftp → NSIDC S4PA: GHRC (NSSTC, UAH, Huntsville, AL) sends AMSR-E data to NSIDC via NLR / Internet2. **Thruput from GHRC experienced a drop (similar to the other drops above) at the end of May.** The rating is based on reverse nuttcp testing. The median nuttcp thruput remained more than 3x the 0.46 mbps requirement, so the rating remains **“Excellent”**. **User flow averaged only 508 kbps this month, very close to the requirement.** **FTP testing was restored in August.**

Test Results: NSIDC SIDADS, NSIDC-PTH

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
GSFC-ENPL → NSIDC-SIDADS	186.2	179.2	154.5
GSFC-NISN → NSIDC-SIDADS	180.9	176.2	141.9
ESDIS-PTH → NSIDC-PTH	467.3	427.2	296.7
MODAPS-PDR → NSIDC-PTH	68.4	60.5	21.8
JPL PTH → NSIDC-PTH	88.8	88.7	75.2

GSFC → NSIDC-SIDADS: The performance to SIDADS via NISN and Internet2 was very stable this month – **no drop was observed.**

NSIDC-PTH: **Thruput from EBnet sources (ESDIS-PTH and MODAPS-PDR) improved in September due to reduced EBnet packet loss.** Thruput to NSIDC-PTH had dropped at the end of May (similar to the drop to S4PA) from MODAPS-PDR, but was steady from ESDIS-PTH and JPL PTH. NSIDC-PTH was upgraded from its Fast-E to a Gig-E interface in early August; performance improved at that time from ESDIS-PTH.

**5.2) LASP:**

Ratings: LASP → GSFC: Continued **Excellent**

Web Page: <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/LASP.shtml>

Test Results:

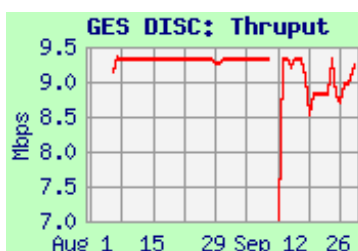
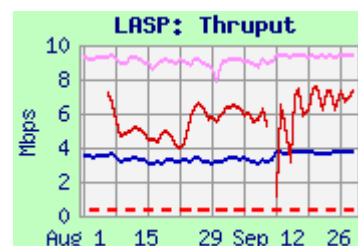
Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
ESDIS-PTH → LASP blue (scp)	3.7	3.2	1.2
ESDIS-PTH → LASP blue (iperf)	9.4	8.0	1.2
GES DISC → LASP blue (iperf)	6.3	3.3	2.3
LASP → GES DISC	9.3	6.9	1.4

Requirement:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Rating
LASP → GES DISC	CY '10 -	0.016	Excellent

Comments: In January '11, LASP's connection to NISN PIP was rerouted: it previously was 100 mbps from CU-ITS via NSIDC; this was changed to a 10 mbps connection to the NISN POP in Denver.

Testing between **GES DISC** and LASP was restored last month, when the nuttcp server at LASP was restarted. **Iperf** and **SCP** testing from **GES DISC** and **ESDIS-PTH** was mostly stable, and consistent with the circuit limitation.



5) Boulder CO sites (Continued):

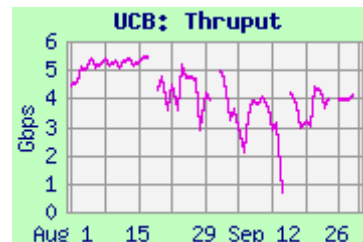
5.3: UCB:

Web Page <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/daac/UCB.shtml>

Test Results:

Source	Medians of daily tests (gbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
GSFC-ENPL-10G	4.9	3.8	2.4

Comments: Testing is to a 10 gig connected test node at UCB. The route is via Internet2 to FRGP, similar to NCAR, with similar performance, as well. The previously observed diurnal variation is no longer present.



5.4) NCAR:

Ratings: LaRC → NCAR: Continued **Excellent**
GSFC → NCAR: Continued **Excellent**

Web Pages <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/terra/NCAR.shtml>

Test Results:

Source	Medians of daily tests (mbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
LaRC PTH	187.2	158.3	98.7
GSFC-ENPL-10G	5560.6	3680.7	596.5
GSFC-ENPL-FE	98.8	98.0	91.8
GSFC-NISN	433.4	245.5	107.9

Requirement:

Source	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
LaRC	CY '12 -	0.044	0.1	Excellent
GSFC	CY '12 -	0.111	5.0	Excellent

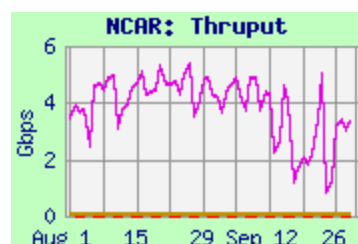
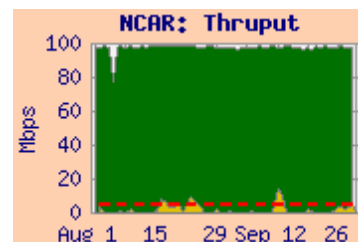
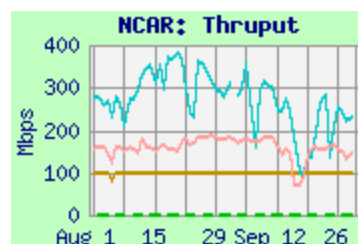
Comments: NCAR has a SIPS for MOPITT (Terra, from LaRC), and has MOPITT and HIRDLS (Aura, from GSFC) QA requirements.

Testing was switched to NCAR's PerfSonar server in March '12 – testing was discontinued from LaRC ASDC at that time; testing from LaRC-PTH continued. This node is 10 gigabit capable. Performance from most nodes was similar to the previous test node, but somewhat noisier.

From LaRC: Thruput from LaRC-PTH was well above 3 x the modest requirement, so the rating remains “**Excellent**”. Note that outflow from LaRC-PTH is limited to 200 mbps by NISN.

From GSFC: From GSFC-NISN, the route is via NISN to the MAX (similar route as from LaRC-PTH). Thruput dropped at the end of May, similar to NSIDC nodes – but recovered in July. It remained well above 3 x the requirement, so the rating remains “**Excellent**”. The average user flow from GSFC this month was 1.5 mbps, typical of recent months, with a few peaks about equal to the requirement.

From GSFC-ENPL-10G, with a 10 Gig-E interface, and a 10 gig connection to MAX, performance to NCAR's 10 Gig PerfSonar node gets over 5 gbps on peaks. Significant diurnal variation is no longer observed.



6) Remote Sensing Systems (RSS):

Ratings: JPL → RSS: Continued

Excellent

RSS → GHRC: Continued

ExcellentWeb Page <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/aqua/RSS.shtml>

Test Results:

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)		
	Best	Median	Worst
JPL PODAAC → RSS (Comcast)	36.8	4.9	0.6
JPL TES → RSS (Comcast)	41.6	4.2	0.5
RSS (Comcast) → GHRC (UAH)	4.16	2.26	0.29
RSS (Comcast) → GHRC (NISN)	3.57	0.83	0.15

Requirements:

Source → Dest	Date	Mbps	Prev	Rating
JPL PODAAC → RSS	CY '12 -	0.16	0.49	Excellent
RSS → GHRC	CY '12 -	0.32	0.34	Excellent

Comments: RSS (Santa Rosa, CA) is a SIPS for AMSR-E (Aqua), receiving L1 data from JAXA via JPL, and sending its processed L2 results to GHRC (aka NSSTC) (UAH, Huntsville, AL).

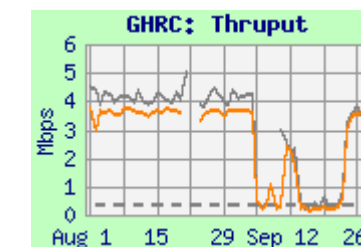
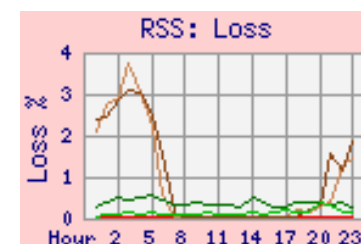
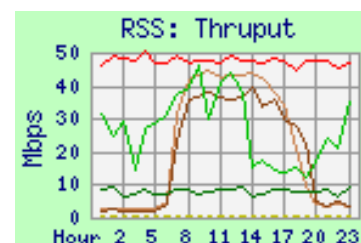
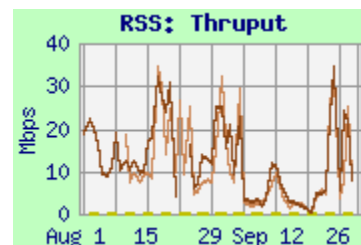
At the end of March '12, RSS switched its production node from the NISN SIP circuit (4 x T1s to NASA ARC -- total 6 mbps) to the Comcast circuit, rated at 50 mbps incoming, and 12 mbps outgoing (installed in April 2011). Testing via the NISN circuit to RSS was discontinued at that time. Testing from JPL PODAAC got much better results using the Comcast circuit than via NISN. The route from JPL is via Los Nettos, CENIC, peering with Comcast in LA.

In May, testing was switched from a linux test server at RSS (which was outside the firewall), to the windows production server inside the RSS firewall. Performance dropped at that time, both from JPL to RSS, and from RSS to GHRC. In addition, the windows server does not provide outgoing packet loss information.

Performance from JPL PODAAC also began exhibiting significant (> 60:1) diurnal variation at that time (unlike other sources). A test from a second JPL node (JPL-TES) was initiated in August, with very similar results. The inference is that there is congestion from JPL peering with Comcast. Even with this diurnal variation, the median iperf remained more than 3 x the reduced requirement, so the rating remains **Excellent**.

RSS → GHRC: In addition, the new servers at RSS connected to the Comcast circuit allows "3rd party testing", as does the server at GHRC. Testing has therefore been initiated from RSS to GHRC, both to a UAH address and a NISN address at GHRC. Performance dropped on May 14 due to the server switch at RSS (above), stabilized in August, then dropped severely in September; recovering at the end of the month.

The results to the two destinations are very similar, indicating that the congestion is close to RSS. The performance to the UAH address yields a rating of **Excellent** vs the 0.32 mbps requirement.



7) Wisconsin:Rating:  **Adequate** → **Good**Web Pages <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/NPP/WISC.shtml>**Test Results:**

Source Node	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
NPP-SD3E	483.5	372.1	184.3	215.8	437.9
GSFC DISC	227.2	163.1	96.0		
GSFC ENPL	371.0	293.5	194.8		
LaRC ANGe	176.1	152.5	68.9		

Requirements:

Source Node	Date	mbps	Prev	Rating
NPP-SD3E	CY'12 -	237.2	237.2	Good
GSFC MODAPS	CY'12 -	21.9	16.5	Excellent
GSFC Combined	CY'12 -	259.1	253.7	Good
LaRC Combined	CY'12 -	n/a	7.9	Excellent

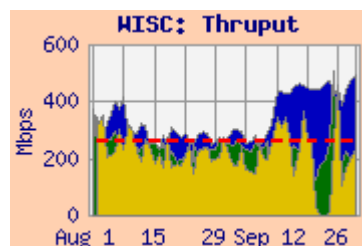
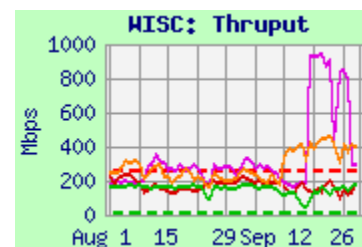
Comments: The Univ of Wisconsin is included in this Production report due to its function as Atmosphere PEATE for NPP. Wisconsin continues to be an SCF on the MODIS, CERES and AIRS teams.

GSFC: Thruput from EBnet sources (NPP-SD3E, GES DISC)

improved in September due to firewall replacement! Thruput had dropped from EBnet in February due to EBnet outgoing packet loss. The integrated thruput was above both the NPP and GSFC combined requirements, now by more than 30%, so the rating improves to **Good**. User flow is consistent with the requirement (less contingency). The route from GSFC is via MAX to Internet2, peering with MREN in Chicago.

From **GSFC-ENPL** thruput was similar, and unaffected by the EBnet packet loss. In late September, testing from **GSFC-ENPL** was switched to a PerfSonar node at Wisconsin, with much higher thruput.

LaRC: Thruput from **LaRC ANGe** is very steady and well above the requirement, rating **Excellent**. The route from LaRC is via NISN, peering with MREN in Chicago.



8) KNMI:Rating: Continued **Excellent**Web Pages http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Missions/aura/KNMI_ODPS.shtml**Test Results:**

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			Reqmt
	Best	Median	Worst	
OMISIPS → KNMI-ODPS	390.6	213.3	154.0	13.4
GSFC-ENPL → KNMI-ODPS	799.4	670.0	356.8	

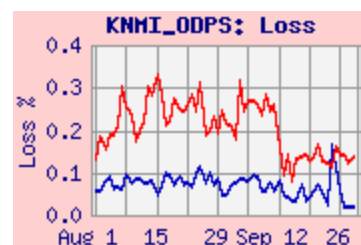
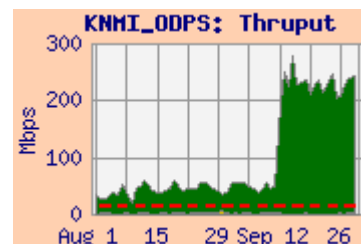
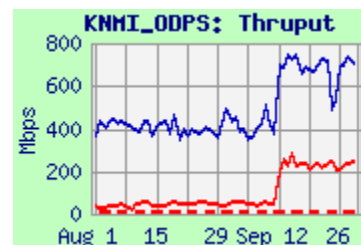
Comments: KNMI (DeBilt, Netherlands) is a SIPS and QA site for OMI (Aura). The route from GSFC is via MAX to Internet2, peering in DC with Géant's 10 gbps circuit to Frankfurt, then via Surfnets through Amsterdam.

The requirement was increased with the use of the database to 13.4 mbps, a much more realistic value than the previous 0.03 mbps.

The rating is based on the results from OMISIPS at GSFC to the ODPS primary server at KNMI. **Thruput from OMISIPS (on EBnet) improved in mid September due to the EBnet firewall replacement!** The median thruput remains more than 3 x the increased requirement, so the rating remains **Excellent**.

Thruput also improved from GSFC-ENPL, due to retuning.

The user flow, however, averaged only 1.8 mbps this month, a little lower than last month (and below the more typical 4 mbps).



9) JSpace - ERSD:

Ratings: **GSFC → ERSD: Continued Excellent**
ERSD → EROS: Continued Excellent
ERSD → JPL-ASTER-IST: Continued Excellent

Web Page: <http://ensight.eos.nasa.gov/Organizations/production/ERSDAC.shtml>

US ↔ JSpace - ERSD Test Results

Source → Dest	Medians of daily tests (mbps)			User Flow	Integrated
	Best	Median	Worst		
GSFC-EDOS → ERSD	95.4	57.4	12.8	4.0	57.4
GES DISC → ERSD	45.4	36.6	20.6		
GSFC ENPL (FE) → ERSD	92.3	92.0	90.0		
GSFC ENPL (GE) → ERSD	614.5	465.9	153.8		
ERSD → EROS	196.6	87.9	55.9	3.6	88.5
ERSD → JPL-ASTER IST	68.0	59.8	41.9		

Requirements:

Source → Dest	CY	Mbps	Prev	Rating
GSFC → ERSD	'12 -	6.75	5.4	Excellent
ERSD → JPL-ASTER IST	'12 -	0.31	0.31	Excellent
ERSD → EROS	'12 -	8.33	8.3	Excellent

Comments:

GSFC → ERSD: As of approximately September '11, the ERSDAC test node is connected at 1 gbps – formerly was 100 mbps. The median thrupt from most nodes improved at that time. Peak thrupt from **GSFC ENPL** is over 500 mbps. However, some nodes have been using QoS (HTB) to reduce loss previously seen in the 1 gig to 100 meg switch at Tokyo-XP – those nodes remain limited by their HTB settings, and did not see much improvement.

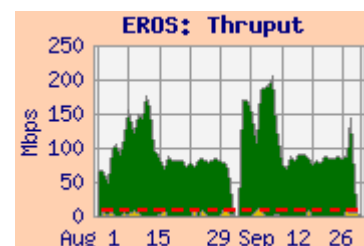
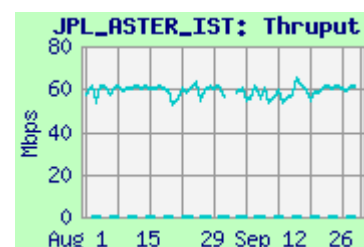
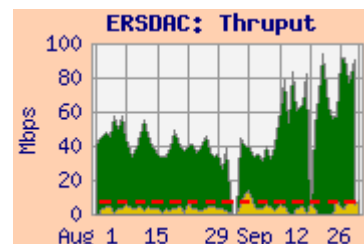
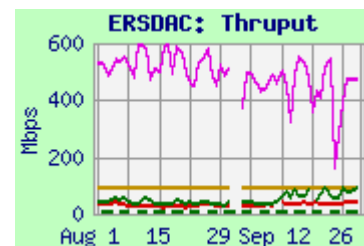
Thruput from EBnet sources (GSFC-EDOS, GES DISC) improved in mid September due to the EBnet firewall replacement. Thruput had dropped from EBnet sources in February, and dropped further in August, due to EBnet outgoing packet loss. Thruput remains well above 3 x the reduced requirement, so the rating remains **“Excellent”**. The integrated chart shows that the user flow is mostly stable, and consistent with the requirement.

Thruput from **GES DISC** to **ERSD** did not improve with the Gig-E upgrade at ERSDAC. The **GES DISC** configuration was upgraded in August, with no change observed..

The FastE connected **GSFC-ENPL-FE** node is limited to 100 mbps by its own interface, and gets very steady thrupt.

ERSD → JPL-ASTER-IST: The thrupt remains very stable with the median well above the [unstated] requirement (IST requirements are generally 311 kbps), so the rating remains **“Excellent”**.

ERSD → EROS: The thrupt improved with retuning in October '11, after the ERSDAC Gig-E upgrade; it remains well above the reduced requirement (was 26.8 mbps previously). The user flow was near normal this month. The median thrupt is more than 3 x the reduced requirement, so the rating remains **“Excellent”**.



10) US \leftrightarrow JAXA

The JAXA test hosts at EOC Hatoyama were retired on March 31, 2009 (the end of the Japanese government's fiscal year). No additional testing is planned for AMSR or TRMM. [All testing to JAXA-TKSC for ALOS was terminated at the end of June '09.](#)

However, the user flow between GSFC and JAXA continues to be measured. As shown below, the user flow this month averaged 3.05 mbps from GSFC to JAXA, and 110 kbps from JAXA to GSFC.

These values are consistent with the new (database) requirements of 3.5 mbps to JAXA, and 0.16 mbps back to JPL. However, since no iperf tests are run, the true capability of the network cannot be determined, and therefore no rating is assigned.

